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## A PARTIAL AWAKENING ON THE TAX SUBJECT.

Early November sees a partial awakening of the people of Oregon on the subject of tax reform in county and state government. The discussion is spread into several counties where facts are coming to light to prove all that has been charged in these articles, to wit: that officials are receiving exorbitant profits from office-holding, and that the manipulation of the public taxes by certain banks is a lucrative feature of political spoils. The taxpayer is robbed by the politician, who in turn pays his friends out of the public treasury and speculates with the public funds for private emolument. The agitation began in Lane county some weeks since, as a result of an investigation by the farmers into the methods of doing county business. It showed enough facts to constitute a grievous charge against certain officials. The people of Lane county are convinced that under cover of law the sheriff has been taking about four times the compensation for his services that the office should cost, and that it could be honestly and efficiently conducted for. Tax payers in other counties are coming to see that they are victims of the same abuses. The people are getting uneasy these hard times and are going to demand that their servants the public officials be servants as idlers and masters, and that one or two terms as sheriff or some other county office, do not convert a poor man into a banker, and they remember that in addition to paying the vast sums involved in these far offices they must also pay the school bills, newspaper bills, livery bills and the whole expensive round of political corruption that it takes to get such an office. The old highway robber paid his own way. The modern tax robber and political boss, as in the cases of Sheriff Nolan of Lane county and Banker Cowan of Linn county, rob the people in their official capacity but make them pay for doing it. Facts are just coming to light in Multnomah county through the investigation of a non-partisan committee of taxpayers that show an appalling state of public corruption. Officials have not only neglected their sworn duty in accounting for public funds, but refuse to give any satisfactory information as to their condition and whereabouts. Sheriff Kelley blandly informs the committee that he now has \$319,644 12 in three banks. He says these funds are not now available. That is his only excuse. He can not check against them. The banks he says have promised him to make a mighty consolidated effort to raise \$50,000 by Dec. 1st. He does not even know that they will be able to raise that sum. The money was collected by him from the people between March and September. He did not even take the trouble to turn it over to the county treasurer as the law requires, but turned it over to the banks. One of these Portland banks sent \$50,000 to a bank at Ellensburg, Wash., to help a bank there. How much more of those county taxes of this year went to help other rotten banks no one knows, not even Kelley, nor Malarkey, who bears the somewhat facetious title of county treasurer. One thing only the committee can learn for certain, and that is, the people paid it. Treasurer Malarkey claims he has turned over \$121,000 of state taxes but for which he produces no receipt. The worst feature of all this juggling with the taxes wrung from the people these hard times is, that while it is not "available" for the uses for which it is intended by law, the people are obliged to pay interest at the rate of 8 per cent, and have warrants issued for this stolen money, and these warrants discounted from ten to twenty per cent. On the Multnomah county school fund alone \$500 a month interest must be paid for a year. The interest on the outstanding county warrants is over twenty thousand dollars a year interest. Money enough has been paid to cancel all these warrants, yet the people have to pay this interest. Such government is not only a fraud and a robbery but an insult to the common sense and business intelligence of the people.

## PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Mr. Gladstone is older than the greatest age at which any man has hitherto taken active part in the government of his country.

Queen Victoria leads a quieter and less ruffled life than the sovereign of any other country in Europe. All the other sovereigns have a hard time of it.

The oldest soldier in the British army is Field Marshal Sir Patrick Grant. He is 89 years old and joined the army in the very year the Duke of Cambridge was born.

Sir Henry James is one of the best sportsmen in the house of commons and a most excellent shot. He is, therefore, often chosen to accompany the Prince of Wales when he goes out with his gun.

Edison's father, Samuel Edison, is now 90 years old and hopes to live many years longer. His father lived to the ripe old age of 99 years, and two of his sons were each 99 at the time of their death.

Mr. George W. Childs Drexel, the new publisher of the Philadelphia Public Ledger, is but 25 years of age. He is a son of the late A. J. Drexel, who was long Mr. Childs' associate in the ownership of the paper.

The Gilman family of Belton, Mo., consists of one father, three mothers, three mothers-in-law, two daughters-in-law, a son-in-law, two widows, four orphan children, two grandmothers, three granddaughters and two great-grandmothers.

Prince Luitpold, regent of Bavaria, has probably the most complete and extensive collection of beetles and is also a skilled entomologist, deeply versed in the habits of ants, bees, moths, flies, earwigs, wasps and everything that flies, crawls or wiggles.

## Up to Date Youngster.

Mamma (raising the slipper)—Willie, my son—

Willie (across the maternal knee)—Spank away, mamma, but don't give me that old chestnut about its hurting you worse'n it hurts me.—Chicago Tribune.

## Skewered and Cured.

"First I was skewered and then I was cured," said Jones, and he laughs heartily over his little joke. Well, I, too, was skewered through and through by dyspepsia and its attendant train of evils. He was cured by Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Do you feel dull, languid, low-spirited; experience a sense of fullness or bloating after eating; tongue coated, bitter or bad taste in the mouth, irregular appetite, dizziness, frequent headaches, nervous prostration or exhaustion, hot flushes alternating with chilly sensations, sharp, biting transient pains here and there, cold feet, brownness after meals, wakefulness, or disturbed and unrefreshing sleep, constant and indescribable feeling of dread, or of impending calamity?

These are symptoms of Billious Dyspepsia, or Torpid Liver associated with Dyspepsia, or Indigestion. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will subdue the cause, if taken according to directions, for a reasonable length of time or money paid for it will be cheerfully refunded.

public affairs. It is the commonest lie and the most universal deception that is perpetrated. Economy and honesty all pretend. There can be no issue on that which all profess. The political boss, grown gray in iniquity and the new-fledged reform party in Kansas all stand pledged to greater economy and in both cases the result is greater corruption. The political boss and office-seeker are the greatest foe the taxpayer has to contend with. Does anyone imagine, that in securing a Democratic clerk, Marion county secured any reform in the immense expense of that office? A mere change of party means nothing in the way of relief. Men are not in politics for their health as long as the taxpayer will stand it to be bled and pay the doctor for bleeding him. Last year Pom Kelley, in Portland, as sheriff received \$24,158.31, ostensibly as salary. His income is probably nearer four times that much. The district attorney gets \$15,313.50, and additional fees in sums of \$100 to \$2000. The county clerk receives ten thousand and feels he is an abused individual.

What are the people going to do to relieve themselves of these burdens which are out of all proportion to their incomes? Relief cannot be secured in legislation because the tax eaters control the law-making body, and very largely constitute it. Relief cannot be had in the courts because the men who live by fees and salaries predominate there and the man on the bench expects any day to have to practice before some of the lawyers who now practice before him and get his fees in turn. Everything will be declared according to law so long as the people will pay the taxes. They pay the fiddler, but are not allowed to dance. The time was when a writer who agitated tax reform and reduction of expenses of government was called a crank. That time is past. The people are going to find some way to get out from under the terrible load, and are not going to ask permission either.

Every one who saw me thought I could not live a month. But I improved at once after beginning with Hood's Sarsaparilla, and have gradually gained until I am now perfectly cured. I eat well, sleep well, and am in perfect health. I owe all to Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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## TODAY'S MARKETS.

Prices Current by Telegraph—Local and Portland Quotations.

SALEM, November 13, 4 p. m.—Office DAILY CAPITAL JOURNAL. Quotations for day and up to hour of going to press were as follows:

SALEM PRODUCE MARKET.

FRUIT.

Apples—30c to 50c, a bushel.

BUTCHER STOCK.

Veals—dressed 4 1/2 cts.

Hogs—dressed 6 to 7 cts.

Live cattle—11 to 12 cts.

Sheep—alive 11.50 to 12.00.

Spring lambs—11.50 to 12.00.

MILL PRICES.

Salem Milling Co. quotes: Flour in wholesale lots \$3.00. Retail \$3.40.

Bran \$15 bulk, \$16 sacked. Shorts \$17.

118. Chop feed \$17 and 118.

WHEAT.

Old wheat on storage 44 cents. New wheat 46 cents.

HAY AND GRAIN.

Oats—old, 38 to 40c, new 25 to 30c.

Hay—Baled, new \$8 to \$12; old \$10 to \$14.

Wild in bulk, \$6 to \$8.

Barley—Brewing, at Salem, No. 1, 95 to 100 per cwt. No. 2, 70 to 85 cts.

FARM PRODUCTS.

Wool—Best, 10c.

Hops—Small sale, 17 1/2 to 18 1/2 cts.

Eggs—Cash, 25 cents.

Butter—Best dairy, 20; fancy creamery, 25.

Cheese—12 to 15 cts.

Farm smoked meats—Bacon 12 1/2; hams, 13; shoulders, 10.

Potatoes—30c to 40c.

Onions—11 to 14 cents.

Beeswax—34c. Caraway seed, 18c. Anise seed, 28c. Ginseng, \$1.40.

LIVE POULTRY.

Chickens—8 cts; broilers 8 cts; ducks, 8c; turkeys, slow sale, choice, 10c; geese 7c.

PORTLAND QUOTATIONS.

Grain, Feed, etc.

Flour—Standard, \$2.50; Walla Walla, \$2.50; Graham, \$2.75; superfine, \$2.55 per barrel.

Oats—Old white, 33c per bu; grey, 35c; rolled, in bags, \$6.25 to \$6.50; barrels, \$6.75 to \$7.00; cans, \$3.75.

Hay—Best, \$10 to \$12 per ton.

Wool—Valley, price nominal.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$16.00; shorts, \$18; ground barley, \$22 to \$23; chop feed, \$18 per ton; mixed feed, barley, \$20 to \$25 per cent; middling, \$23 to \$25 per cent; brewing barley, 90c to 95c per cent; chicken wheat, \$1.10 to \$1.25 per cent.

Hops—Old, 10 to 16c, new 15 to 17.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.

Butter—Oregon fancy creamery, 30c to 32c; fancy dairy, 25c to 27c; fair to good, 17c to 20c; common, 15 to 16c per lb; California, 30c to 32c per roll.

Cheese—Oregon, @ 12; Eastern twins, 16c; Young American, 15c per pound; California flats, 14c.

Eggs—Oregon, 20c per dozen.

Poultry—Chickens, old, \$3.50; broilers, large, \$1.50 to \$3.00; ducks, old, \$4.00 to \$6.00; young, \$2.50 to \$4.00; geese, \$5.00; turkeys, live, 14c.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKET.

Wool: Oregon Eastern choice, 10c to 12c; do inferior, 8c to 9c; do valley, 12c to 15c.

Hops—16 to 19c.

Potatoes—R-rty Rose, 30c to 40c. Burbanks, 30c to 35c.

Oats—Milling, \$1.30 to \$1.35.

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Clean newspapers, tied in bundles of 100, not out, for sale at this office at fifteen cents a bundle. A heavy straw wrapping paper, large sheets, two cents a pound. Next door to the postoffice.

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## THE REDEMPTEURS.

Miseries of the Unfortunates Who Got Into Debt in Olden Times.

In Daniel Defoe's time debtors were frequently compelled in seeking means to extricate themselves from their embarrassments to consent to anything, if they thereby could avoid the horrors of the debtors' prison. In many cases they took advantage of a custom that in one form or another had a sanction of antiquity, and being generally able-bodied men they placed themselves in the hands of some merchant or agent, who having effected an arrangement with the creditors took possession of the unfortunate debtors, and hurrying them to the nearest seaport shipped them abroad, generally to Virginia or Maryland, as so much merchandise. Sometimes the dealer accompanied his cargo in order, if possible, to obtain a better price at the end of the voyage.

Arrived at their destination the captives—to give them their real name—were sold to any planter whose offer would recoup the agent for the sum he had expended in purchase and transit and also allow him a handsome profit. By the terms of this sale the captive was bound to serve his new master for several years, his liberty being nominally secured at the end of that period, and from the hope of redemption and deliverance thus held out to him the term "redeemtion" came to be applied to these unfortunates.

But any hopes that the redemptioner might cherish of his ultimate liberation soon proved fallacious, and he found himself plunged into fresh embarrassments long before his period of servitude had expired.

Charges were made upon him for clothing, for tobacco, even for the necessities of life—charges which he had no means of meeting, however good his inclination, and too late he found that he had, in fact, become a slave, without money, without rights and without hope. Such friends as he had were in England and probably had forgotten him altogether. Perhaps if even they remembered him they were without the means of assisting him, and the chance of money reaching the individual for whom it was intended was in those days very small. Pacific railways and "ocean greyhounds" were unknown in the "good old times" and communication was slow and insecure.

Some of these redemptioners were of course more fortunate than others and had friends and connections more powerful and more kindly disposed and such often ultimately attained their freedom. But these were the exceptions, and generally speaking the unhappy victim labored on from year to year, his "redemption" receding further and further into the distance, till at last death put an end to his sufferings.—Chambers' Journal.

## Fine Lecture

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## The Question

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